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**January 18, 2016** 

## **Local Agency Conference Call**

Please see the <u>draft agenda</u> for our conference call on 2/4/16. We encourage as many staff to attend as possible, but it will also be recorded via Webex and posted to our website (along with detailed minutes) after the call. Please let <u>Kate</u> know if you would like any additional topics added, thank you!

## **New Employee Training Reminder**

Time to get in your <u>registration forms!</u> February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 is the deadline to get signed up for new employee training. If you have any questions please email <u>Lalittle@mt.gov</u> or call 444-5923 or fax 406-444-0239 to Lacys' attention. If additional funding is needed to attend, please contact <u>Kate Girard</u>.

# Weekly Risk Code Highlight

Risk Code 428 Dietary Risk Associated with Complementary Feeding Practices - 428 is defined as an infant or child who has begun to or is expected to begin to 1) consume complementary foods and beverages, 2) eat independently, 3) be weaned from breast milk or infant formula, or 4) transition from a diet based on infant/toddler foods to one based on the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*, is at risk of inappropriate complementary feeding.

A complete nutrition assessment, including for risk #411 or #425 must be complete prior to assigning this risk. This risk code is similar to 401 in that it can generically apply to any participants in the age range (4-24 months). However, unlike 401, it can be assigned in addition to other risk criteria.

### Flathead Co WIC Outreach

The Flathead County WIC office is doing some program advertising on the <u>Kalispell Moms for Moms</u> <u>website</u>. Kalispell Moms for Moms (KMfM) is a local network for mothers to connect, share information, offer support, and be inspired. Targeted outreach like this can be beneficial for the community as a whole, and increase WIC's presence in rural communities. Thank you to Jeanine Lund and the Flathead County WIC Office for this outreach effort.

#### **VENA Webinar**

The next VENA webinar put on by USDA is January 28<sup>th</sup> from 12-1 pm, <u>see attached</u> for details and login information. This does qualify for 1 WIC CEU and will be recorded and posted to WICWorks following the event.

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